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SINGLE LINE, IN PARTICULAR FOR TRANSMITTING DATA
ON A BUS WITH MINIMIZATION OF THE BUS SWITCHING
ACTIVITY, AND CORRESPONDING COMPUTER PRODUCT

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